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METHOD FOR THE Title:

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MATHIX CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER

PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND FEE TRANSMITT AL-

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 16, 1998 having a three-month shortened statutory period for response expiring October 16, 1998, by one month to and including November 16, 1998.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the petition fee is transmitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the enclosed amount or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 16, 1998

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8)

I hereby certify that this paper, and the papers and/or fees referred to herein as transmitted, submitted or enclosed, are being deposited on the date shown below with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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